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It is a wonder how the Lord hath loved!

How loves He all who've gone astray,

How He would gather us to Him

And lead us in His way.

It is a wonder how the Lord protects!

And how He longs to have us turn

In faith to Him, how freely gives

The grace we cannot earn.

It is a wonder what the Lord hath done!

How He hath died, how yet He lives,

And how He to the uttermost

Sustains the life He gives. —A.D.R.

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Sir:

I write, as a layman of the Augusta-Macon Presbytery and as an elder of the Washington Presbyterian Church, about something that has been close to my heart for a long time. It concerns Presbyterian College and one of the institution's great needs in carrying on its important task.

Presbyterian College has moved forward steadily since its establishment in 1880. Dr. William P. Jacobs, pastor of Clinton's Presbyterian Church, founded the institution solely on faith and with a great heart's desire to provide for young boys and girls a Christian education.

First known as Clinton College, it became the Presbyterian College of South Carolina in 1890 when chartered under the Synod of South Carolina. Then in 1928, the Synod of Georgia joined South Carolina as co-owner, and the name was shortened to Presbyterian College.

Thus Presbyterian cherishes a 70-year heritage of Christian ideals, years in which the college has contributed outstanding leaders to the religious, professional and business worlds. Its faculty has always been staffed by high-toned Christian instructors.

Through the years Presbyterian has grown steadily until now it has a plant of well-equipped buildings. But, even so, there is the pressing necessity of an auditorium.

To give an idea of how critical the need is, the present auditorium—located on the second floor of Neville Hall—has proper seating capacity of less than 400. Since Presbyterian's student body totals 500, this assembly place is entirely inadequate for even daily chapel services—not to mention Religious Emphasis Week programs, commencement, exercises and concerts. All of these activi-

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ties are vital parts of the college's well-rounded program.

Presbyterian College is training young men and women spiritually, mentally and physically for life's work. It produces Christian leaders. Our young people are the rock of the nation. They hold its future, its aspirations and its high dreams.

For this reason, all agree that one of our most important programs is the training of these young men and women to meet the great responsibilities of life, to meet the demands of a confused world which calls increasingly for wise, sympathetic and constructive leadership. As one who has had contacts with Presbyterian College for more than fifty years I know that the college performs its mission well.

I know there is close personal contact between teachers and students. I know the faculty has a genuine interest in the personal welfare and development of each individual student, in molding personalities for the appreciation of life in all of its phases. And I know that Christian religion sets the theme at Presbyterian College.

These are the things that make Presbyterian a great college, one of the outstanding educational institutions in the South. But despite its progress and present standing there is a pressing need of an auditorium.

It is my sincere desire that everyone interested in Christian education give thoughtful and prayerful consideration to this urgent need of Presbyterian College.

A. W. SIMPSON.

WASHINGTON, GA.

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HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATE REFORMED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH, by Robert Lathem. Harrisburg, Pa. (1882). Ask your A.R.P. neighbor for the loan of this worthwhile book and get acquainted with the denomination that is considering uniting with us. Our hats are off to the Seceders for their courageous stand for evangelical truth in Scotland and in Ireland two hundred years ago. They took the rap and were rebuked and rebuked and finally removed from their churches and the circumtabular machine carried the Church of Scotland down the primrose path of moderatism—to the dishonor of evangelical truth and godliness. But their stand gave Scotland a voice for the Gospel and saved Presbyterianism in Ireland from the downgrade to Socinianism and Unitarianism which was wrecking Presbyterianism in England in that period.

First of all, they stood for the free offer of the Gospel to the sinner without telling him that he must first be convinced that he was convinced that he had forsaken his sins before he could come to the Saviour of sinners. They opposed Professor John Simson of Glasgow who suggesting the possibility of a man's being saved by the light of nature apart from Jesus Christ and denying the necessary BE-ING of Christ—became an Arian.

Under the leadership of Principal Hadow of St. Andrews the machine tolerated Simson, but cracked down on the evangelicals when they reissued Fisher's *Marrow of Modern Divinity* with wise footnotes by Thomas Boston. Boston, Hog, Erskine, Wardlaw and Wilson defended the book and God used the Marrow men to awaken in Scotland a new appreciation of the Gospel of Paul and of Luther.

For, "the true doctrine of both the Westminster Confession of Faith and of the Marrow men is, that the sinner is not justified on account of obedience to the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. In other words, the ground of the sinner's pardon and justification, is the obedience and suffering of the Lamb of God. The death of Christ secures the believer's pardon, and the righteousness of Jesus imputed to him and received by faith alone—faith without works—is that on account of which he is pronounced just." And, the Neo-nomians and Baxterians to the contrary notwithstanding, the law is a rule of sanctification, and never was designed—at least since the fall of Adam—to be a rule of justification.

—William Childs Robinson.

CHRIST'S PREACHERS, by Park Harris Anderson. Christopher Publishing House. \$2.50. This book represents the author's earnest attempt to be of help to students who are in need of an orientation course in the field of preaching. It portrays the eternal significance of the divine work in which Jesus and his disciples are united.



EUGENE L. DANIEL

Daniel Accepts World Mission Assignment

The Board of World Missions has announced that the Rev. Eugene L. Daniel has accepted appointment as Candidate Secretary to succeed Dr. Richard T. Gillespie, who resigned last fall. Mr. Daniel is expected to take office about May 10.

A native of Atlanta, Ga., Mr. Daniel is a graduate of Georgia Tech, Columbia Seminary and Princeton Theological Seminary. He served as a chaplain during World War II and was awarded the Silver Star and the Distinguished Service Cross for his service to the wounded in the African campaigns. He was a prisoner of war in Germany for 27 months.

He served as a representative of the War Relief Committee and with the Foreign Mission Committee. In 1948 he sailed to Korea. Previously, he married Miss Nancy Hayter, of Abingdon, Va., an appointee for work in Brazil. They have two daughters.

Returned to the States following the Korean outbreak, they have been engaged in deputation work for the board since that time.

THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS, by Thomas Durley Landels. Christopher Publishing House. \$1.75. The thesis of this book is that happiness depends not so much upon the changing outward circumstances of life as upon the inward spirit with which life is faced.